

CONCLUSION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 9 is objected to for dependence on a rejected base claim. However, the Examiner indicated in the *Office Action* that claim 9 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. See *Office Action*, 6.

The Applicants have amended independent claim 1 to incorporate the elements of dependent claim 9 and intervening claim 6. As all rejections and objections have been overcome, the Applicants have placed the application in condition for allowance.

The Applicants respectfully request the issue of a Notice of Allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative with any questions concerning this matter.

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